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SUBJECT: KENYAN OFFICIAL DENIES PLAN TO ESTABLISH PLO OFFICE IN
NAIROBI

REF: (A) NAIROBI 6885, (B) CAIRO 9121 (NOTAL)

1. FOLLOWING KENYA FOREIGN MINISTER WAIYAKI'S VISIT TO CAIRO IN
LATE MAY, A JOINT COMMUNIQUE WAS ISSUED INDICATING THAT AGREEMENT
HAD BEEN REACHED FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF PLO OFFICE IN NAIROBI.

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2. IN COURSE OF JUNE 29 MEETING ON OTHER BUSINESS, KENYA DEFENSE
MINISTRY PERMSEC KIEREINI COMPLAINED TO DCM THAT FOREIGN MINISTER
WAIYAKI HAS FREQUENTLY EMBARRASSED KENYA BY HIS "FREE-WHEELING"
ON ARAB-ISRAELI ISSUES. HE NOTED, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT WAIYAKI'S
RECENT "UNAUTHORIZED" SPEECH CRITICIZING ISRAEL AT OAU COUNCIL
OF MINISTERS MEETING IN LIBREVILLE HAD "EMBARRASSED" KENYAN GOV-

ERNMENT WHICH WISHES TO CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN ITS CORDIAL AND COOPERATIVE (ALBEIT DISCREET) RELATIONSHIP WITH ISRAEL. MORE-OVER, KIEREINI SAID THAT WAIYAKI'S ALLEGED AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH PLO OFFICE IN NAIROBI WAS NOT RPT NOT SANCTIONED BY KENYAN GOVERNMENT AND THAT NO SUCH OFFICE WOULD BE ALLOWED IN NAIROBI.

2. WHILE ACKNOWLEDGING THAT WAIYAKI HAD BEEN AUTHORIZED TO VISIT SUDAN AND EGYPT, KIEREINI SAID HIS PRIMARY AUTHORIZED MISSION WAS TO SEEK GOOD OFFICES OF THESE COUNTIRES TO MEDIATE KENYA'S DIFFERENCES WITH TANZANIA. HE SAID KENYA IS DEFINITELY NOT DEVELOPING "NEW" POLICY TOWARD ARAB NATIONS. HE SAID KENYA WITH FULL BACKING OF PRESIDENT KENYATTA CONTINUES TO FIND ITS CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH ISRAEL BENEFICIAL AND WOULD NOT WANT TO UNDERMINE THIS RELATIONSHIP BY BECOMING TOO CLOSE TO ARAB COUNTRIES. HE OPINED THAT WAIYAKI'S "PERSONAL" DIPLOMACY IN THIS AREA MAY BE MOTIVATED, TO SOME EXTENT, BY HIS LONG-STANDING "LEFTIST" INCLINATIONS. KIEREINI NOTED THAT WAIYAKI HAD LOST HIS POSITION AS AN ASSISTANT MINISTER A DECADE AGO FOR HIS CLOSE ASSOCIATION WITH LEFTIST LUO LEADER AND FORMER VICE PRESIDENT OGINGA ODINGA.
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